TUFS extended upto 2007

†191. SHRI LAJPAT RAI:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme has been extended upto March, 2007;

(b) if so, whether small units of powerloom industries decentralised under the scheme are to be extended the benefits; and

(c) if so, the details of powerloom industrial units likely to be benefited with the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) All powerloom industrial units are covered under the Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme provided their projects are in conformity with the norms of this Scheme.

Providing assistance to textile mills under TUFS

†192. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL :
Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state : —

(a) whether any Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme has been introduced by the Government to provide financial assistance for the modernization of the textile industry;

(b) if so, the date on which the said scheme was introduced; and

(c) the amount of financial assistance provided to the industrial units of textile mills, Powerloom and Handloom sector under the said scheme till the end of March 2003, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, for modernisation of the textile and jute industries, Government has launched a

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Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS), which is in operation from 01-04-1999 to 31-03-2007.

(c) No handloom unit has applied for loan for modernisation in conformity with the Scheme. The details of financial assistance provided to the industrial units of textile mills and Powerloom sector under TUFS as on 31-03-2003 is as follows:—

(Rs. in Crore)

Sector	Loans Sanctioned	Loans Disbursed
Textile Mills Sector	5243	3893
Powerloom Sector	112	49

Development of non-mulberry silkworm rearing

193. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that non-mulberry silkworm rearing in picking up in the South and this would add to the income of the farmers of the area;

(b) whether Ericulture is also proposed to be brought to Orissa to help the beleaguers farmers of the State to add to their income, on the lines of Southern States; and

(c) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) A project for the development of ericulture in Orissa at an estimated cost of Rs. 9.32 crores has been prepared sourcing financial assistance from Ministry of Rural Development and Govt. of Orissa for covering about 2000 families during the period from 2004-05 to 2006-07.